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★ PLEASE SEND YOUR ORDER TO NEAREST OFFICE ★

*In Business
over 58 Years*

It has been the policy of our company from the beginning to give our customers quality products with courteous and prompt service.

In this booklet, we are presenting for your consideration, a group of attractive aquariums, oxygenating plants, fishes, scavengers, foods and various types of aquarium accessories.

All shipments travel by express collect. If ordered to be shipped by parcel post, the purchaser must agree to refund any postage which we advance. But, all parcel post packages containing perishable items must travel at purchaser's risk. Live fish are shipped in water and must go by express.

These prices cancel all previous printed lists.

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September 1, 1953

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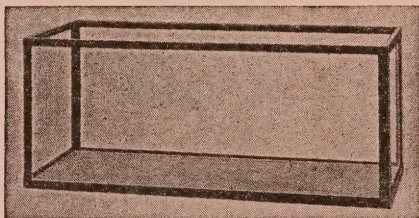
AQUARIUMS

INEXPENSIVE YET ATTRACTIVE AND STURDY

SPECIAL LOW PRICES

These low-priced aquariums we are offering are of metal frame. Finished in simulated marble enamel.

| No. | Size | | | Capacity | Price |
|-----|--------|-------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | Length | Width | Height | | |
| 2 | 10 | x 6 | x 8 | 2 gal..... | \$2.40 |
| 5 | 14 | x 8 | x 10 | 5 gal..... | 4.00 |
| 10 | 24 | x 10 | x 10 | 10 gal..... | 7.50 |



STAINLESS STEEL FRAME AQUARIUMS

These aquariums are beautifully constructed of stainless steel frame with double strength glass and slate bottoms, except Nos. 30 and 50 which have plate glass.

| | | | | | |
|-----|------|-----------|---------|-------|---------|
| No. | 2-A | 10x 6x 8— | 2 gal. | | \$ 2.75 |
| | 3-A | 12x 7x 9— | 3 gal. | | 3.75 |
| | 5-A | 14x 8x10— | 5 gal. | | 5.25 |
| | 10-A | 24x 8x12— | 10 gal. | | 12.50 |
| | 10-B | 20x10x12— | 10 gal. | | 11.50 |
| | 15-A | 24x12x12— | 15 gal. | | 14.50 |
| | 23-A | 30x12x14— | 23 gal. | | 21.00 |
| | 30-A | 36x12x16— | 30 gal. | | 42.00 |
| | 50-A | 36x18x18— | 50 gal. | | 65.00 |

These aquariums are carefully packed and shipped by express. Order early and avoid disappointment.

WALL AQUARIUM

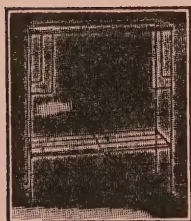
Made of heavy material; as easy to hang as a picture. Adds charm to your living room or kitchen.

..... \$2.75



ORNAMENTAL AQUARIUM STAND

(as illustrated)



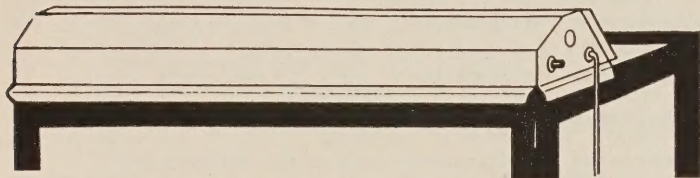
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| 8" x 24" base 30" high (for 10-A Stainless Steel aquarium) | \$12.00 |
| 10" x 20" base 30" high (for 10-B Stainless Steel aquarium) | 11.00 |
| 12" x 24" base 30" high (for 15 gal. Stainless Steel aquarium) | 13.00 |
| 12" x 30" base 30" high (for 23 gal. Stainless Steel aquarium) | 15.00 |
| 12" x 36" base 30" high (for 30 gal. Stainless Steel aquarium) | 17.50 |
| 18" x 36" base 30" high (for 50 gal. aquarium) | 22.00 |

BETTA DISPLAY AQUARIUMS

| | |
|--|---------|
| Four compartment aquarium | \$10.50 |
| Hood for four compartment to illuminate the aquarium | 11.00 |
| Six compartment aquarium | 12.75 |
| Hood for six compartment to illuminate the aquarium | 14.00 |

AQUARIUM ILLUMINATORS or REFLECTORS

Made of Stainless Steel. Excellent to illuminate the aquarium and stimulate plant growth.



| | Stainless Steel Economy Reflectors | Stainless Steel DeLuxe Reflectors |
|--|--|---|
| 14 inch Reflector for 1 light— 5 gallon aquarium | \$3.75 | \$6.00 |
| 20 inch Reflector for 2 lights— 10-B gallon aquarium | 5.25 | 7.75 |
| 24 inch Reflector for 2 lights— 10 and 15 gallon aquarium | 6.00 | 8.75 |
| 30 inch Reflector for 2 lights— 23 gallon aquarium | 7.00 | 10.25 |
| 36 inch Reflector for 3 lights— 30 and 50 gallon aquarium | | 12.50 |

REFLECTOR

Made of metal, beautifully finished in metallic grey on the outside, white enamel on the inside.

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|----------------------------|---------|
| 14" for one light | \$ 3.75 |
| 20" for two lights | 5.25 |
| 24" for two lights | 6.00 |
| 30" for two lights | 7.50 |
| 36" for three lights | 9.00 |

We can furnish fluorescent lighting or reflectors on request.

SHOW CASE ELECTRIC BULBS FOR AQUARIUM REFLECTORS

| | |
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| 25 watt bulbs | 35c |
| 40 watt bulbs | 40c |

BOOKS

On Fishes and Aquariums

A book on this most useful and fascinating hobby will be most helpful. We are recommending for your convenience some of the most interesting books on this subject.

A book is always desirable to have for easy reference.

YOUR AQUARIUM—Primer for beginners, by W. T. Innes.....30c

TROPICAL FISH HAND-BOOK—An excellent book for the amateur..30c

MODERN AQUARIUM, by W. T. Innes. A book on breeding and general care of goldfishes and tropicals, 64 pages, 30 illustrations

\$1.00

EXOTIC AQUARIUM FISHES, by W. T. Innes. A new edition by an author famous for his knowledge of fishes and aquarium subjects. Covers tropical fish thoroughly and is profusely illustrated with color plates and halftones. Undoubtedly the finest work in its field

\$7.50

AQUARIUM HIGHLIGHTS, by Innes. A most interesting book for fish fanciers

\$5.50

TROPICAL FISH AS A HOBBY, by Herbert R. Axelrod. A guide to selection, care and breeding of fishes

\$4.00

BEST OXYGENATING PLANTS

The plants we are offering are all greenhouse grown and are famous throughout the country for their usefulness and beauty in an indoor aquarium. When a sufficient amount of oxygenating plants is used in the aquarium, they provide the necessary oxygen for the fish and keep the water clear and pure.

For your convenience, we have arranged several complete collections, to properly balance different size aquariums.

- VALLISNERIA**—Long ribbon-like leaves, excellent for planting in back of aquarium60c per doz.
- CORKSCREW VALLISNERIA**—A new and beautiful plant...75c per doz.
- ANACHARIS**—Dark green foliage, heavy stems2 bunches for 35c
- SAGITTARIA MICROFOLIA**—A short growing plant to carpet the bottom of your aquarium.....35c per doz.
- SAGITTARIA SUBULATA**—Small growing plant, very attractive for bottom of aquarium.....50c per doz.
- SAGITTARIA SINENSIS**—Dark green leaves. Strong growing plants2 for 35c
- CHAIN SWORD PLANT**—Of medium growth. Excellent for aquariums75c per dozen
- CABOMBA**—Glossy green, fan-like leaves, green stems2 bunches for 35c
- MILFOIL (Myriophyllum)**—Fine needle-like green leaves2 bunches for 35c
- MONEYWORT**—Follage round and light green color, very ornamental2 bunches for 35c
- AMBULIA**—A beautiful light green plant.....25c per bunch
- BACOPA (Herpestis)**—A splendid plant with thick bright green leaves on stout stems. Highly decorative ...2 bunches for 35c
- LUDWIGIA**—Foliage green above and pink beneath ...2 bunches for 35c
- CARDAMINE**—A plant with round leaves, very unusual..20c per bunch
- BABY TEARS**—A small, yet attractive plant for bottom of aquariums20c per bunch
- HYGROPHILA**—A new introduction. An excellent grower2 bunches for 35c
- JUSSIAEA REPENS**—A new introduction, very attractive in aquarium2 bunches for 35c
- HAIRGRASS**—Dark green needle-like plants, ideal for protecting eggs and young fish.....15c per bunch

DECORATIVE OXYGENATING PLANTS

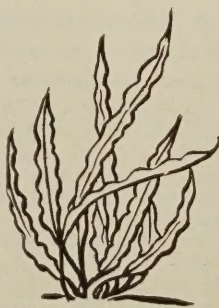
- WATER SPRITE**—Truly a beautiful underwater fern, with dainty leaves—very decorative.....15c each
- CELLOPHANE PLANT**—An unusual and very decorative plant50c each
- AMAZON SWORD PLANTS**—Very unusual75c each
- APONOGETON CRISPUM**—A very rare aquarium plant.....40c each



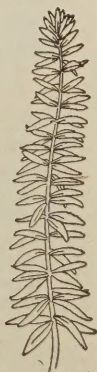
VALLISNERIA



HYGROPHILA



CRYPTOCORYNE
WILLISI



ANACHARIS

- CRYPTOCORYNE WILLISI**—Highly decorative plant with narrow greenish-red leaves35c each
- CRYPTOCORYNE CORDATA**—The only aquarium plant with permanent coppery-red colored leaves; a real addition to your collection50c each
- CRYPTOCORYNE GRIFFITHI**—The aristocrat of aquarium plants. Its broad green leaves make this plant very decorative in an aquarium.....75c each
- ECHINODORUS RADICANS**—Formerly known as Sagittaria Guayanensis. A very decorative plant with broad green leaves of lovely color35c each
- WATER POPPY**—A beautiful plant with round floating leaves and heavy stems20c each
- BANANA PLANT**—An odd leafy plant whose roots resemble a cluster of bananas.....20c each
- SPATTERDOCK**—An excellent plant for aquariums with goldfish. Its broad light green leaves are very ornamental. 20c each
- HORNWORT**—(*Ceratophyllum*). This plant is excellent in an aquarium. It is a good oxygenator and offers good protection to young fish20c bunch
- DWARF WATER LILY**—For aquarium with beautiful green leaves75c each

FLOATING PLANTS

- WATER FERN**—A fine aquarium floating plant.....15c each
- NITELLA**—Excellent plants for young fish.....25c per portion
- FLOATING ELODEA**—Desirable for young fish.....15c per portion
- UTRICULARIA**—Highly decorative plant.....25c per portion
- RICCIA**—Excellent surface plant (very scarce).....25c per portion
- SALVINIA**—Floating plant with small round leaves....15c per portion
- DUCKWEED**—A very small surface plant. Excellent as an occasional food for goldfish.....15c per portion

SPECIAL PLANT COLLECTION A-1.

Consisting of enough plants of our own selection to balance a ten gallon aquarium\$1.75

SPECIAL PLANT COLLECTION A-2.

A splendid group of plants, to balance a 15 or 20 gallon aquarium, more than double the above collection and including some of rare and very choice varieties.....\$3.25

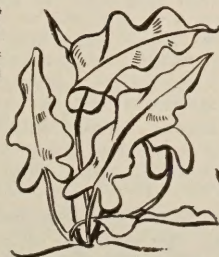
SPECIAL PLANT COLLECTION A-3.

To balance 20 to 25 gallon aquariums

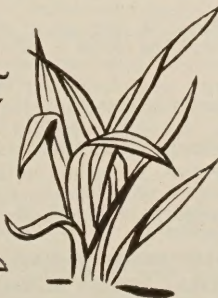
This will be a very special group of the most desirable oxygenating plants and will contain many of the very rare and choice varieties\$4.50



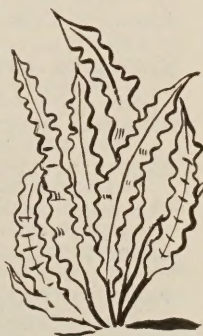
CABOMBA



SOUTHERN
SPATTERDOCK



SAGITTARIA
SINENSIS



APONOGETON

TROPICAL FISHES FROM TRICKER

Tropical or Exotic fishes are truly a most desirable part of an indoor aquarium. Their striking beauty when placed in a well balanced aquarium is remarkable.

Tropical fish thrive best at a temperature ranging from 72° to 85°.

PLEASE NOTE. Tropical fish showing an **ASTERISK (*)** before the name are of a peaceful nature and may be kept in an aquarium with other fish. All containers and packing used in shipping tropical fish must be returned promptly by parcel post or prepaid express.

PLEASE NOTE. All fish are shipped by express, charges collect.

LIVE BEARING FISHES

Live Bearers are most interesting because they do not lay eggs but give birth to live baby fish. They can be raised in an indoor aquarium.

| | Per Pair |
|--|-------------|
| * MEXICAN SWORDTAILS. Green body with a light red or orange stripe running from the gills to the caudal fins | \$1.15 |
| * RED SWORDTAILS. Similar to Mexican Swordtails except of a beautiful red color | 1.40 |
| * FLAMING RED SWORDTAILS. The most colorful of the live bearing fishes, bright red, of striking beauty | 1.65 |
| * BLACK SWORDTAILS. A new addition to our large list of beautiful fishes. It is a blue-black color throughout the body and the males have well developed swords | 1.65 |
| * GOLD SWORDTAIL. Clear gold color with a brilliant pink stripe through the middle | 1.40 |
| * TUXEDO SWORDTAIL. The lower body is deep black while the upper is bright red. A rare beauty | 2.25 |
| * RED WAG-SWORDTAIL. A beautiful fish with blood red body and black fins and tails | 2.00 |
| * BLACK VARIATUS HELLERI. A new type of Hybrid..... | 1.50 |
| * BLUE-BLACK HYBRID HELLERI. Similar in size to Red Hybrids, except the color is blue-black with yellow eyes, and glistening blue scales | 1.25 |
| * BLUE MOONS. Fine light blue color | 1.15 |
| * BLACK MOONS. Jet black over most of body, yellowish-red on back and silvery scales near gills | 1.15 |
| * CRESCENT GOLD MOONS. Golden body with black crescent near tail | 1.25 |
| * GOLD WAGTAIL PLATY. Gold color on body and black fins and tail. An unusual and beautiful fish | 1.50 |
| * RED WAGTAIL PLATY. Blood red body, black fins and tail. Strikingly beautiful | 1.65 |
| * PURE RED MOONS. Both males and females are clear, blood-red in color | 1.15 |
| * BLEEDING HEART MOON. A new introduction..... | 2.00 |
| * TUXEDO MOON. A beautiful fish with red and black body..... | 1.50 |
| * PLATY VARIATUS. Known as Rainbow Moons. Highly colored, gold or red tails | 1.40 |
| * SUNSET PLATY VARIATUS. Beautifully colored fish with gold suffused with red in body and fins | 1.50 |
| * RAINBOW FISH OR GUPPIES. Males have all colors of the rainbow | .30 |
| * GLORIFIED GUPPIES. A very recent introduction. Females are yellowish-gold, and the males a brilliant gold with red markings | .50 |
| * TRINIDAD GUPPIES. The largest of the Guppy family and one of the most beautiful, especially the males..... | .50 |
| * EXOTIC GUPPIES. Recently developed. The most colorful of all Guppies, with long flowing brilliant fins..... | .75 |
| * FLAMINGO GUPPIES. Males are brilliantly colored with red striped body, long flowing fins | .75 |
| * LIBERTY MOLLINIENISIA. Black and spotted, males with red fins. Very beautiful | 1.15 |
| * PEARL MOLLINIENISIA (Marble Mollies). Body black and marble | 1.40 |
| * BLACK MOLLINIENISIA.—PERMO BLACK. The beautiful all black Mollinisia. The young fish are born black and remain black. Shipping size | 1.40 |
| Large size | 1.75 |

BUBBLE NEST BUILDERS

| | Per Pair |
|---|-------------|
| * BETTA CAMBODIA. Gold colored body with red flowing fins..... | \$2.50 |
| * BETTA TRICKERI. Beautiful red, green and blue body and fins.. | 2.50 |
| * RED BETTA. Red colored body and red flowing fins | 2.50 |
| * BLUE BETTA. Striking vivid blue. Extremely beautiful | 2.50 |
| PARADISE. Reddish-brown body with vertical stripes | 1.25 |
| * DWARF GOURAMI. Gleaming colors. Very beautiful | 1.65 |
| * STRIPED GOURAMI. Similar to, but larger than, the Dwarf Gourami | 2.75 |
| * BLUE THREE SPOT GOURAMI. A beautiful variation of the Three Spot Gourami | 1.40 |
| * LEERI GOURAMI. The newest and most beautiful Gourami. Similar in size to Three Spot Gourami with beautiful all-over pattern in blue, grey, yellow and orange | 2.50 |
| * KISSING GOURAMI. Pinkish iridescent white color. A pair of these fish in aquarium will delight you with their kissing performances | 2.50 |

CICHLIDS

| | Per Pair |
|--|-------------|
| * ANGEL FISH. The aristocrat of the aquarium. Shipping size | \$1.50 |
| Large size | 3.00 |
| * APISTOGRAMMA RAMIREZI. A dwarf cichlid, highly colored with all the hues and shades of yellow, red and blue. Peaceful nature, can be kept with other tropical fish..... | 5.00 |
| CICHLASOMA MEEKI. Highly colored fish and peaceful. Can be kept in a community tank | 1.75 |
| * ORANGE CHROMIDE. Gold color shaded and spotted with bright blue | 1.40 |
| Large Breeders | 3.00 |
| * EGYPTIAN MOUTH BREEDERS. Females carry their eggs in their mouth until young are hatched (12 to 15 days). Very interesting fish for an aquarium | 1.75 |
| BLUE ACARA. Blue body with black dots..... | 2.50 |
| JEWEL FISH. Brilliantly colored yellow red. Very beautiful.... | 2.50 |
| * ACARA THAYERI. Brilliantly colored and of peaceful nature ... | 2.75 |
| ACARA PORTALEGRENSIS. An unusual fish, easy to breed..... | 2.50 |
| CONGO (Cutteri). Cichlid, a beautiful fish with vertical stripe on side, suffused with yellow and blue | 2.00 |

DANIOS

Popular because of active movement and flashing colors. Native to India, Ceylon and Malibar Coast.

| | Per Pair |
|--|-------------|
| * ZEBRA FISH. Beautiful marbled stripes throughout body | \$1.00 |
| * PEARL DANIO. Mother-of-pearl color. Very beautiful | 1.15 |
| * SPOTTED DANIO. Like Zebra Fish but with dark blue dots | 1.15 |
| * GIANT DANIO. Largest of the Danioes. Metallic blue body | 1.40 |
| * GOLD DANIO. Pure gold colored body and fins. Strikingly beautiful | 1.40 |

THE BARBS

Colorful aquarium fishes which spawn on plants.

| | Per Pair |
|--|-------------|
| * ROSY BARBS. A sturdy fish. Males have rosy tinted body | \$1.00 |
| * STRIPED BARB. Blue suffused with yellow with darker markings | 1.25 |
| * FLYING BARB. Can leap great distances. Light green with gold band and black spot at base of tail | 1.40 |
| * BLUE IRIDESCENT BARB. Red, blue, and silver. Fins edged with black. An unusually beautiful fish..... | 1.50 |
| * CHERRY BARBS (BARBUS TITTEYA). Beautiful fish with silvery red body | 2.25 |
| * BARBUS SUMATRANUS (Tiger Barb). The most colorful of all the Barbs. Has dark vertical tiger-like stripes and dorsal fin is edged with brilliant scarlet color | 1.65 |
| * BLACK RUBY BARBS (Barbus Nigrafaciatus). A comparatively new Barb, highly colored, bluish-black with small black spots on upper part of their body | 1.50 |
| * BARBUS SCHUBERTI (Gold Barbs). Beautifully marked gold body with red fins and black horizontal stripes..... | 2.00 |

CHARACINS

Found in Central and South America. They deposit eggs on plants.

| | Per Pair |
|---|-------------|
| * TETRA VON RIO. Brilliant red. Colorful body and fins | \$1.40 |
| * TETRA VON BUENOS AIRES. Silver body flushed with yellow. Red fins and tail | 1.00 |
| * HEAD AND TAIL LIGHT. Copper spot at base of spine | 1.75 |
| * PRISTELLA RIDLEI. Black and white tipped fins. Orange tail... | 1.40 |
| * BLACK TETRA. A very beautiful fish with large black pompa- dour fins, unusually sturdy and an excellent aquarium fish.... | 1.50 |
| * NEON TETRA. The most colorful of the tropical fishes..... | 3.50 |
| * GLO-LIGHT TETRA. A beautiful fish with a glow of light through the body..... | 3.50 |
| * ROSY TETRA. A colorful fish. Black and white marking on dorsal fin | 2.50 |
| * BLACK LINE TETRA (Hyphessobrycon Scholzei). A beautiful fish with a black line running from gills to tail..... | 1.25 |
| * BLIND CAVE TETRA. Fish without eyes, opalescent pink. Most interesting in aquarium | 2.00 |
| * RED MINOR (Hyphessobrycon Serpae). A very colorful fish. Red body with black spot on dorsal fins..... | 2.75 |
| * RASBORA HETEROMORPHA. One of the rare and the most beautiful of the tropical fish..... | 4.00 |
| * BLOOD FINs. Brilliant red fins..... | 2.50 |
| * SILVER TETRA. Glistening silver body..... | 1.00 |
| * WHITE CLOUD MOUNTAIN FISH. Rival in beauty to the Neon Tetra, a real addition to your collection | 1.40 |
| * AUSTRALIAN RAINBOW. Orange and red stripes through the body | 2.00 |
| * PENCIL FISH. An interesting and colorful fish shaped like a pencil | 3.25 |
| * CORYDORA AENEUS AND LINEATUS. Brazilian catfish. Excellent as scavengers | 2.00 |
| * CORYDORA LEOPARDUS. Leopard catfish | 2.50 |

TROPICAL FISH COLLECTIONS

COLLECTION T F-1 FOR BEGINNERS.

| | |
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| 1 Pr. Guppies | 1 Pr. Gold Moons |
| 1 Pr. Swordtail | 1 Pr. Black Mollienisia |
| 1 Pr. Liberty Mollienisia | 1 Pr. Zebra |
| 1 Pr. Red Moons | 1 Pr. Blue Gourami |
| 1 Pr. Corydora Brazilian Catfish | |
| SPECIAL COLLECTION PRICE (VALUE \$10.70) FOR..... | |
| \$9.35 | |

COLLECTION T F-3 EGG LAYERS.

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| 1 Pr. Angel fish | 1 Pr. Blue Gourami |
| 1 Pr. Zebra fish | 1 Pr. Australian Rainbow |
| 1 Pr. Tetra Von Rio | 1 Pr. Giant Danio |
| 1 Pr. Pristilla Ridley | 1 Pr. Dwarf Gourami |
| SPECIAL COLLECTION PRICE (VALUE \$11.75) FOR | |
| \$9.40 | |

COLLECTION T F-4 LIVE BEARERS AND EGG LAYERS.

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|--|------------------------|
| 1 Pr. Mexican Swordtails | 1 Pr. Zebra |
| 1 Pr. Black Mollienisia | 1 Pr. Angel fish |
| 1 Pr. Red Moons | 1 Pr. Tiger Barbs |
| 1 Pr. Blue Hybrids | 1 Pr. Blue Gourami |
| 1 Pr. Gold Crescent Moons | 1 Pr. Pristella Ridley |
| SPECIAL COLLECTION PRICE (VALUE \$13.15) FOR | |
| \$11.00 | |

COLLECTION T F-5 EXOTIC RARE FISHES

In this collection we selected some of the rare and the most color-
ful fishes available to trade.

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| 1 Pr. Tuxedo Swordtail | 1 Pr. Rosy Tetra |
| 1 Pr. Pearl Gourami (Leeri) | 1 Pr. White Clouds |
| 1 Pr. Angel Fish | 1 Pr. Egyptian Mouthbreeders |
| 1 Pr. Rasbora Heteromorpha | 1 Pr. Tiger Barbs (Sumatranus) |
| 1 Pr. Corydora Brazilian Catfish | |
| (VALUE \$20.05) VERY SPECIAL COLLECTION PRICE | |
| \$17.35 | |



VERY IMPORTANT—PLEASE READ

Tropical fish are shipped in metal cans, placed in carton containers for protection against damage in transit.

In cold weather, especially in the winter months, the cans are packed in cartons with insulated material and a chemical heating pad placed at the bottom of the carton to keep the water in the cans at proper temperature.

The can, carton, packing material, and heating pad must be returned to us immediately by express prepaid or by parcel post.

When tropical fish are received, check the temperature of the water in can and if it is colder than 75°, bring it up gradually by stirring in warm water, a little at a time.

Place the fish in the aquarium, which previously should have been planted.

One tablespoonful of Tricker's Fungus Cure should be added for every ten gallons of water in the aquarium.

Dissolve the fungus cure first in a glass of water and then stir it in the aquarium. It will act as a tonic and prevent disease among fish.

Keep some of our remedies such as Ichthyophtherius remedy, C.D.T., Fungus Cure and Sea Salt on hand. It will help you to keep the fish in good condition.

In establishing new aquarium, boil the water and let it stand for several days before placing fish in the aquarium.



Dear Sirs:

This card will be followed by the shipping can and the packing. Please excuse the unavoidable delay.

I wish to thank you for your generous portion of plants and the excellence of your fish. It has been a pleasure doing business with you.

Cordially,

John Colenback, 3656 Indian Rd., Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sirs:

Shipment of plants received in excellent condition. This is the best collection of plants we have had and wanted you to know how pleased we are. Thank you for your prompt shipment.

Yours very truly,

Katherine Lilley, 1811 Union Ave., Memphis, Tenn.

Wm. Tricker, Inc., Independence, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

You sent me an order of plants and fish this last month. I am writing to tell you how pleased I was with the shipment. The plants were lovely and the fish came through fine.

Thank you for your painstaking efforts in filling my order.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Ruth Beach, 1431 So. Grandview, Dubuque, Iowa.

SCAVENGERS

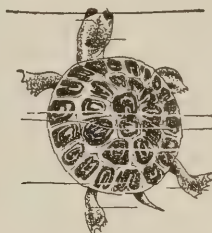
FOR AQUARIUM USE

EVERY AQUARIUM OR POOL SHOULD HAVE SCAVENGERS

SCAVENGERS are the housekeepers of the aquarium and relieve you of that responsibility. Snails devour algae, decayed matter, and eat unconsumed food. Tadpoles eat many of the impurities in an aquarium and are particularly helpful with goldfish. Clams or Mussels act as a continuous filter to keep water clear. **IN AN AQUARIUM, USE AT LEAST 3 SCAVENGERS TO A GALLON OF WATER.**



RED RAMSHORN SNAIL



GEOGRAPHIC TURTLE



**LIVEBEARING
TRAPDOOR SNAIL**

COPENHAGEN RED SNAILS

The finest aquarium snails in existence and particularly useful in aquariums. 6 for 65c; \$1.25 per dozen.

BLACK RAMSHORN SNAILS

A very useful snail for aquariums and very prolific as egglayer. Particularly useful in aquariums. 6 for 30c; 50c per dozen.

TRAPDOOR LIVE BEARING SNAILS

These large hardy snails should be in every aquarium, particularly where goldfish are kept. They devour green scum and thus help to keep the water clear. 6 for 55c; \$1.00 per dozen.

MYSTERY SNAILS

A new and unusual snail, very useful and interesting. They lay their eggs above the water on plants or glass. 6 for 55c; \$1.00 per dozen.

TADPOLES

The younger generation of the frog. They devour small insects and decayed matter. Particularly useful in aquariums with goldfish. Harmless to either fish or plants. 6 for 40c; 75c per dozen. (Shipping can 25c extra.)

CLAMS OR FRESH WATER MUSSELS

The clams live by filtering the organic material out of quantities of water, thus helping to purify it. They are particularly useful in clearing green water in an aquarium or pool. 6 for 75c; \$1.40 per dozen.

GEOGRAPHIC TURTLES

Very popular with children and unusually interesting. Can be easily kept in a small aquarium or bowl with a few pebbles or aquarium grit and a few plants. 45c each, \$2.50 for six, \$4.50 per dozen.

COLLECTION S-1.

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| 3 Copenhagen Red Snails | 3 Mystery Snails |
| 3 Trapdoor Snails | 3 Black Ramshorn Snails |
| SPECIAL PRICE\$1.00 | |

COLLECTION S-2.

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 4 Copenhagen Red Snails | 4 Black Ramshorn Snails |
| 4 Trapdoor Snails | 2 Clams |
| 4 Mystery Snails | |
| SPECIAL PRICE\$1.50 | |



ORNAMENTAL GOLDFISH FOR AQUARIUMS



BLACK TELESCOPE MOOR

Many of our customers who have outdoor pools also establish indoor aquariums to enjoy the beauty of aquatic plants and fish throughout the winter months. Goldfish do not require heat during the winter. We are offering a selected group of sturdy fishes of different sizes and types.

When you order goldfish, please include 50 cents extra to cover the cost of a shipping can which is not returnable.

PRICES: Six of any variety of goldfish listed here sold at the dozen rate. All fish must go by express, charges collect.

SELECTED GOLDFISHES.

Brilliantly colored and active. A fine strain prized for garden pools and ponds.

| SIZE | PAIR | DOZEN |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| 2 to 3-inch | \$0.25 | \$1.35 |
| 3 to 4-inch | .40 | 2.00 |
| 4 to 5-inch | .75 | 4.00 |

CALICO SHUBUNKINS. (Straight Tails). The name "Shubunkin" means "Autumn Brocade." This is a fitting name, for the fishes are marked in a brocade pattern of glorious colors like autumn foliage, and even more varied. Blue is the predominating color, with mottled effects in red, gold, black, brown, lavender and white. Their active movement gives fine display of these colorings.

| SIZE | PAIR | DOZEN |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| 2 to 3-inch | \$0.30 | \$1.50 |
| 3 to 4-inch | .60 | 3.00 |

FANCY AMERICAN FANTAILS. Some are beautifully marked with gold and white and some with gold and black.

| SIZE | PAIR | DOZEN |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| 2-inch | \$0.30 | \$1.50 |
| 3-inch | .60 | 3.00 |
| 3½ to 4-inch | 1.25 | 6.00 |

CALICO FANTAILS. Marked like Shubunkin (Calico Fish) but with divided tail.

| SIZE | PAIR | DOZEN |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| 2-inch | \$0.40 | \$2.25 |
| 3-inch | .75 | 4.00 |
| 3½ to 4-inch | 1.25 | 6.50 |

BLACK TELESCOPE MOOR. (Illustrated at top of page) This all-black Chinese fish is highly prized and makes striking color contrast among brighter fishes.

| SIZE | PAIR | DOZEN |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| 2-inch | \$0.40 | \$2.25 |
| 3-inch | .75 | 4.00 |
| 3½ to 4-inch | 1.50 | 7.50 |

FANCY GOLDFISH COLLECTIONS

For your convenience we are offering here two very special collections of fancy fish at a real saving.

No. 30-A

Collection Price

- 3—2-inch Selected Goldfish
- 3—2-inch Calico Shubunkins
- 3—2-inch Fancy American Fantails
- 3—2-inch Calico Fantails
- 3—2-inch Black Moors

\$2.50

15 Small Assorted fishes, an unusual value.

No. 30-B

Collection Price

- 3—3-inch Selected Goldfish
- 3—3-inch Selected Calicos
- 3—3-inch Fancy American Fantails
- 3—3-inch Calico Fantails
- 3—3-inch Black Moors

\$4.25

15 Beautiful fishes of assorted colors and of medium size.

No. 30-C

Collection Price

- 2 pr. 4 to 5-inch Selected Goldfish
- 2 pr. 4-inch Calico Shubunkins
- 2 pr. 4-inch Fancy American Fantails
- 2 pr. 4-inch Calico Fantails
- 2 pr. 4-inch Black Moors

\$10.50

20 Beautiful fishes, a real bargain.



The aquarium illustrated above is planted with our collection A-2 of oxygenators consisting of:

Vallisneria, Sagittaria Sinensis, Anacharis, Cabomba, Hygrophila, Moneywort, Spatterdock, Cryptocoryne and Aponogeton.

This collection requires 1½ inches of aquarium grit over the bottom of the aquarium for planting. All bunched plants are to be planted in the grit.



Dear Sirs: Received the plants in very fine condition. Thanks very much.
Mrs. Ray Inscho, 38 Ferris St., Corning, New York.

Dear Sirs: This is to let you know that the Administrator of Finance has been instructed to send you a cheque to the amount of \$12.30 in settlement of your invoice dated 27/11/'51 for \$10.00 plus \$2.30 for the cablegram. The items mentioned in the above invoice reached me in good order. I take this opportunity to thank you for the excellent condition in which you executed my order for lilies and fishes.

Yours faithfully,

Department of Agriculture, Cattle-raising and Fisheries.
Curacao, Netherlands, Antilles.
MC.W. Schotborgh (chief clerk)

TRICKER'S QUALITY FISH FOODS

Tricker Foods are prepared and tested by experts and contain only such ingredients as are necessary and essential to all types of fish.



VITALINE. The perfect fish food, correctly balanced. It contains all the nutrients and vitamins necessary to the growth and sustenance of either tropical or goldfishes. Tricker's Vitaline will bring out the color in fishes and promote healthy, robust bodies. 1 Tin, 25c; ½ Pint, 50c; 1 Pint, 85c; 1 Quart, \$1.50.

AXELROD'S FORMULA TROPICAL FISH FOOD. A new introduction in tropical fish food—containing aureomycin, Vitamin B-12 and Hormones. Minimum net weight, 1 oz., 50c

DRIED SUN-CURED SHRIMP.

An excellent concentrated food consisting of the meat of sea shrimp. Can be fed to both tropical and goldfish. 1 Tin, 25c; ½ Pint, 40c; 1 Pint Carton, 60c; 1 Quart Carton, \$1.15.

DRIED DAPHNIA. Carcasses of the tiny crustaceans of fresh water fleas that are the natural sustenance of baby fishes. Essential to all fishes. 1 Tin, 25c; ½ Pint, 50c; 1 Pint, 90c; 1 Quart, \$1.60.

IN-NUR-CO. A natural food for goldfish, both for an indoor aquarium and outdoor pool. A completely balanced ration of cereals, meats, eggs, and other valuable nutriment. ¼ Lb., 30c; ½ Lb. Carton, 60c; 1 Lb. Carton, \$1.15.



TURTLE FOOD. An excellent food for your turtles. ½ oz. Net Weight, 15c.

INFUSORIA TABLETS.

With these tablets Infusoria may be produced directly in the aquarium. Drop Infusoria tablets directly in the aquarium, one for every gallon of water. Tablets per box of 2530c

ENCHYTRAE WORMS.

This is the only live food available all year around. Small, thread-like worms that are the only practical living food for tropical fish. The worms are easily raised in a mixture of leaf-mold and light soil by feeding with bread moistened in milk, or cooked oatmeal. Single Portions, \$1.00; Double Portions, \$1.50.

BRINE SHRIMP EGGS

The most desirable live food. Easily prepared. Directions for hatching the eggs are given on the container.

½ oz. of eggs50c 1 oz. of eggs90c

COLLECTIONS OF FOODS and REMEDIES

Fish Foods and Remedies for Aquariums (Collection No. 301)

2 Cans Vitaline
1 Can Dried Daphnia
1 Can Dried Shrimp
1 Box Turk's Island Sea Salt
1 Box Fungus Cure
1 Bottle Aquarium Deodorant
1 Bottle Ichthyophtherius Remedy
1 Bottle C.D.T. Compound
2 Puro, Water Purifier

Special Price\$2.35

Foods for Aquarium Fishes (Collection No. 303A)

2 Cans Vitaline
1 Can Dried Daphnia
1 Can Dried Shrimp
Special Price\$0.85

Foods for Aquarium Fishes (Collection No. 303B)

1 Pt. Vitaline
½ Pt. Dried Daphnia
½ Pt. Dried Shrimp
Special Price\$1.50

TRICKER TESTED REMEDIES

WE HAVE made a special study of the maladies of aquarium fishes and will always be glad to give you the benefit of our experience. It will be of great help to you to have some of our remedies on hand at all times.

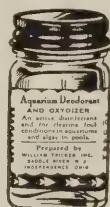
AQUARIUM CONTROL AND TESTING KIT. This is a complete testing outfit, with neutralizing reagents and indicator for acid or alkali, whichever your aquarium water will show. Also complete directions and pH charts covering a range from 6.0 to 7.6. Complete Testing Kit.....\$2.00

TURK'S ISLAND SEA SALT. A tonic beneficial for all minor ills. Add to your aquarium weekly, one tablespoonful for every five gallons of water. In an outdoor pool add one handful for every 50 gallons of water. This will act as a stimulant to fish and growth of plants. 3 Oz. Box, 20c; ½ Pint Box, 30c; 1 Pint Box, 45c; 1 Quart Box, 65c.



TRICKER'S FUNGUS CURE. An antiseptic tonic and healing preparation, particularly beneficial to fish when fins are frayed or the scales coated with white scum or fungus growth. Treat fish directly in the aquarium or pool, using one tablespoonful for every five gallons of water or one handful for every 50 gallons of water twice a week or as needed. 3 Oz. Box, 20c; ½ Pint, 30c; 1 Pint, 45c; 1 Quart65c

TRICKER'S DEODORANT AND OXIDIZER FOR POOLS AND AQUARIUMS



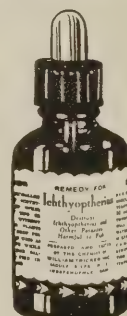
This preparation will free your pool or aquarium of **Algae, Green or Foul Water**. It also proves an effective remedy for **Fungus, Anchor Worms and Fish Lice**. Sometimes it is necessary to treat the water three or four times at 3-day intervals. Tricker's Deodorant and Oxidizer is also used for sterilizing pools and aquariums, by using a strong solution when cleaning. 1 oz., 35c.

C. D. T. COMPOUND. An excellent fish remedy, water neutralizer and water purifier for aquariums and pools. Five drops per gallon of water will cure fish infested with Fluke, Fin Rot, Mouth Diseases, and kills Fish Lice without injuring the fish. Have a bottle of this remedy on hand at all times. 1 oz. dropper outfit for aquariums, 40c; 3 oz. bottle for pools, 85c



ICHTHYOPHTHERIUS REMEDY. Two drops per gallon will destroy the "Ich" parasites in five days without injuring the plants or fish. Advisable to increase and maintain a uniform temperature of 75 to 80 degrees for tropical fish. 40c per bottle in special dropper outfit.

PURO. Water purifier. Contains chemicals which neutralize excess acid or alkali in the water, purifying it and destroying germs. The pink counteracts Ichthyophtherius; the blue kills Pathogenic germs.15c each; 2 for 25c

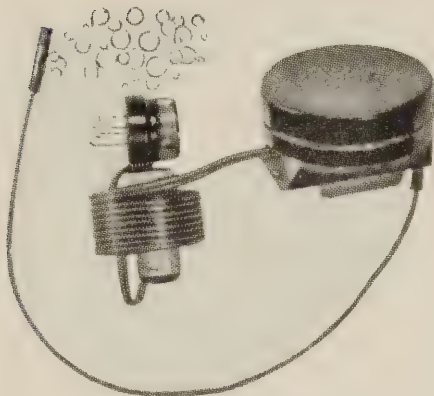


ANTI-CHLORINE TABLETS

Use Tricker's anti-chlorine tablets to remove chlorine in your aquarium water.

Use one tablet per gallon of water. Packed 25 tablets per bottle.....30c

AERATING EQUIPMENT



AQUADITIONER

Keep your fish healthy by aerating your aquarium with one of our pumps.

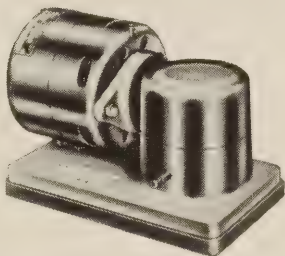
This Aquaditioner is an excellent pump for aerating one aquarium.

No radio interference — built-in condenser. Noiseless, efficient, AC or DC current. Fully guaranteed by manufacturer. \$5.85 each

Insulated and separated from Pump body assures COOLER aeration during summer months.

No Radio Interference — Silent — Extra Oilless Bearings on Rotor — Noiseless — Economical — Dependable. Powerful—90 cu. in. per min.

One Year Guarantee



NEPTUNE ROTAERATOR

Rotaerator—improved Model\$22.50

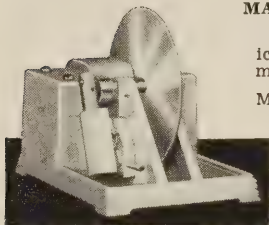
MARCO PUMP: The Most Dependable Pump

Designed and built to withstand hard service. Consumes less than 20 K.W.H. per month.

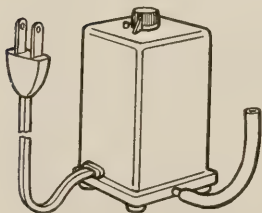
MODEL A—Will operate 1 filter, 2-3 aspirators\$27.50

MODEL B—Will operate 2 filters and 2-3 aspirators\$33.00

MODEL B-2—Will operate 2 filters and 6-8 aspirators\$38.50



BACH'S SINGLE-ACTION PUMP

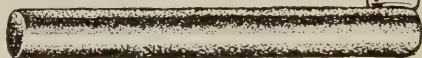


Very attractive and noiseless pump. Will operate one filter and one or two air releasers.

For 110 V. A-C current only.....\$10.50

THE FAMOUS NEW FRENCH "INVISIBLE" FILTER-AERATOR

A scientific instrument developed in France. Place the filter on the bottom of aquarium toward the back and cover it with aquarium grit. Attach the air hose to the air stone, thus creating suction through the filter.



9½ in. long, \$3.75—11¾ in. long, \$4.00—14 in. long, \$4.25

AQUARIUM FILTERS—JUNIOR

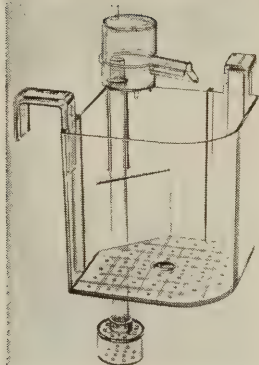
For Aquarium up to 10 gal.

This new and improved one-piece seamless molded construction filter of crystal clear plastic is being offered for the first time. It is a most desirable and efficient filter to have for your Aquarium.

Filter as illustrated\$2.00

Filtering Material, activated
Charcoal, Filter Wool and
Pebbles 1.00

Special Price\$2.85



Inside Model
4½" x 4½" x 4"

AQUARIUM FILTERS—SENIOR

SENIOR—For Aquariums 10 to 20 Gallons

An all celluloid filter to be used on the outside of the aquarium. Complete with activated charcoal, glass wool, and pebbles. Instruction with each filter.

.....\$5.25 each

MARCO OUTSIDE FILTER

For large aquariums—20 to 50 gallon capacity—use this 10" high outside filter complete with filtering material.

..... \$11.75 each

HAIR BRUSH on flexible wire for cleaning tubes on filters and dip tubes. Very useful item.

..... .55 each



FILTERING SUPPLIES

| | |
|--|--------|
| Activated Charcoal—one pint | \$0.60 |
| one quart | 1.00 |
| Glass Wool, finest available, package..... | .25 |
| Pebbles or pearl chips, per pound..... | .25 |



AIR RELEASERS

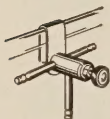
Ornamental Diver with Treasure Chest and Air Releaser as illustrated\$2.50 each

CARBORUNDUM AIR RELEASER. Will disperse
air in fine bubbles.....45c each

METAL AIR RELEASER. Nickel plated with long lasting plastic tubing75c each

MARCO BALL O'MIST. One of the best air-re-
 leasers\$1.75 each

CONTROL VALVES



Needle valves to control amount of air flow
to Aspirator 85c each

Marco Control Valve\$1.25 each

RUBBER TUBING

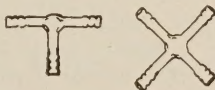
For connecting air release to pump. Laboratory type.10c per ft.

PLASTIC TUBING

For connecting air releasers in the aquarium. It can be bent to any desired angle.....10c per ft.

PLASTIC TUBING

1/2" size for syphoning water or dirt from bottom of
aquarium 22c per ft.



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| Tee and X Connecting units for distribution of air | 40c each |
| Hose Clamps | 40c each |

Fish Foods and Remedies for Pools (Collection No. 302)

- 1 Lb. In-Nur-Co
1 Qt. Dried Shrimp
1 Qt. Turk's Island Sea Salt
1 Qt. Fungus Cure
1 Bottle Aquarium Deodorant
1 Bottle Ichthyophtherius
Remedy

Special Price \$4.25

Foods for Outdoor Pools
(Collection No. 304)

- 1 Lb. In-Nur-Co
1 Qt. Vitaline
1 Qt. Dried Shrimp

Special Price \$3.25

AQUARIUM ACCESSORIES

AQUARIUM CEMENT. We make it and use it.

It comes in plastic form. 1 pound container 55c

AQUARIUM GRIT. To keep your plants growing.

5 pound bag30c

10 pound bag50c

FLOATING THERMOMETERS. Do not guess at the temperature of the water in your aquarium. Use one of our thermometers. 55c

FISH NETS

3 inch for Tropical Fish.....25c

4 inch for Tropical or Goldfish.....35c

6 inch for Tropical or Goldfish.....50c

6 inch for Goldfish only.....65c

BRINE SHRIMP NYLON NET

Special 3 inch net for netting brine shrimp..80c

FEEDING RINGS. Keep fish food from spreading over the surface.

2½ inch25c

3 inch30c

4 inch35c

GLASS DIP TUBES. For removing sediment and unconsumed food from bottom of the aquarium.

14 inch40c

16 inch50c

18 inch60c

CELLULOID UNBREAKABLE DIP TUBES.

| | Regular | Come-Apart |
|---------------|---------|------------|
| 14 inch | \$.80 | \$.85 |
| 16 inch | .90 | 1.00 |
| 18 inch | 1.00 | 1.10 |
| 24 inch | | 1.25 |

AQUARIUM SCRAPERS

Will help to keep the aquarium glass clean. 75c

CELLULOID UNBREAKABLE BREEDING CAGES

Save your young fish by using one of our plastic unbreakable Breeding Cages. Excellent for live-bearing fish.

6 inch V-shape Type\$2.50

8 inch crystal clear Lucite with Rods on bottom 3.60

FILTERING DIP TUBE

Remove loose particles and sediment from bottom of aquarium with the filtering dip tube. An air pump must be used to operate the filtering dip tube.

16".....\$2.40 each

18" 2.70 each



AQUARIUM PAINT (self crystallizing). Gives myriads of crystalline designs. Brings out hidden beauty of fish and plants.

1 oz. bottle30c

AQUARIUM HEATERS

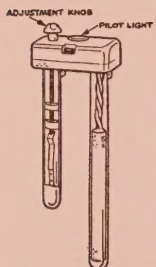
SUBMERGIBLE—Genuine Pyrex Tube. This type of heater may be completely submerged or placed on the bottom of the aquarium.



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| 6 inch, 12½ watt | \$2.25 |
| 6 inch, 25 watt | 2.35 |
| 8 inch, 50 or 75 watt.... | 2.45 |
| 10 inch, 100 or 150 watt.. | 2.75 |

GLOW-LITE—Heater Light. A combination chill breaker and aquarium light to heat and illuminate a small aquarium of 2-3 gallon capacity.....\$1.85

WIL-NESS 77 AUTOMATIC HEATER



Heater and thermostat combination in one unit with adjustable knob and pilot light.

Wattage range, 25-40-60

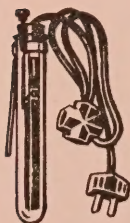
8" long\$5.50

Wattage range, 75-100

10" long 5.75

THERMOSTATS

For controlling temperature in aquariums, heater should be plugged into the connection on thermostat cord. Use one of these dependable thermostats.



**Barrus
Thermostat**

Barrus Inside Adjustable Thermostat Simplex. 300 watt\$4.00

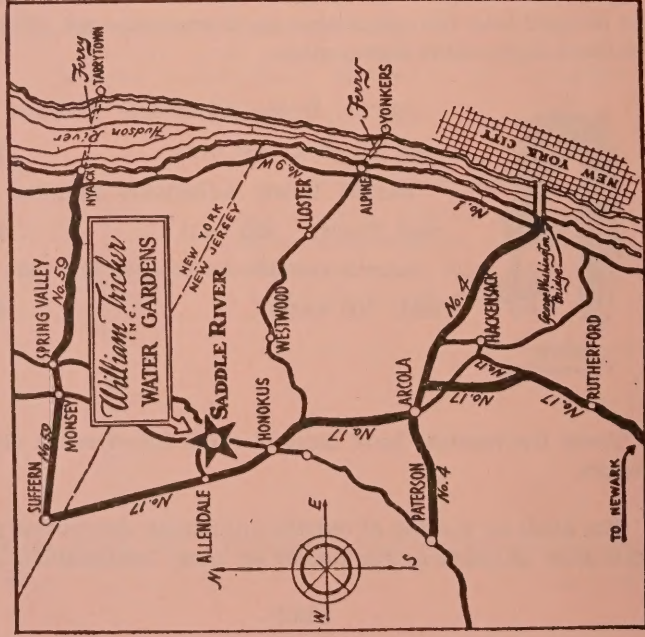
Barrus Inside Adjustable Thermostat Duplex. 300 watt\$5.00

Barrus Outside Adjustable Thermostat. 500 watts\$6.00

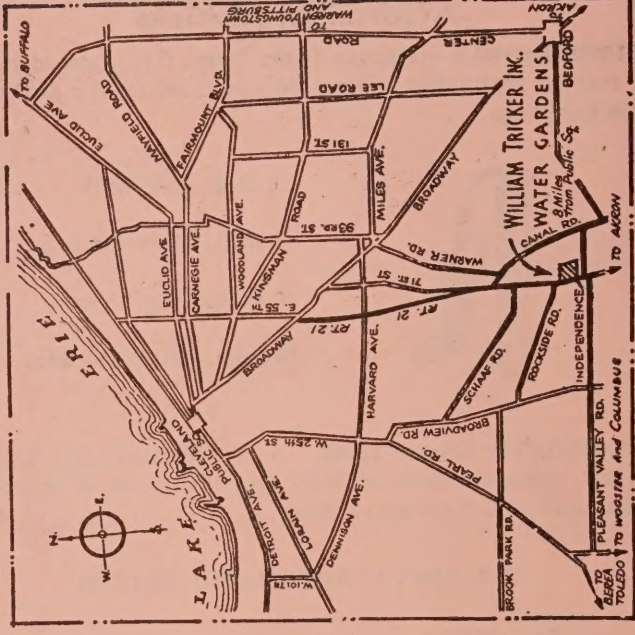
These thermostats have built-in radio interference eliminators.

The knob on the top of outside adjustable thermostat permits easy adjustment for higher or lower temperature.

FOLLOW THESE MAPS TO TRICKER'S GARDENS! Thousands of people visit our water gardens, tropical fish and aquarium displays yearly. Come and see the beautiful water lilies and ornamental fishes.



SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY



INDEPENDENCE, OHIO

Saddle River, N. J., is northwest of New York City and reached from the George Washington Bridge over Route 4 and 17 to Hobokus, then north to Saddle River.

Our gardens at Independence, Ohio, are but a short drive from any part of the city of Cleveland, as we are eight miles south of Cleveland Square on Route No. 21, the main highway from Cleveland to Akron.